and adjacent NCR areas so that combined efforts of the DMRC and Indian Railways could contribute significantly towards lessening the woes of daily passengers in Delhi and NCR;

(b) if so, whether any study has been made of the increasing daily passenger traffic from NCR and outskirts of NCT; and

(c) whether the existing trains on these routes required introduction of additional trains?

THE MINISTER.OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) There is no such proposal at present.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) There is no proposal at present to introduce additional trains on these routes.

**Overhauling of infrastructure**

2067. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry is planning a major overhaul of its infrastructure during the Eleventh Plan and increase freight business to 1,100 million tonnes by 2011-12 and 8,400 million pasengers;

(b) whether his Ministry has agreed to the Finance Ministry's proposal to involve private funds in its ambitious Rs. 22,000 crores dedicated freight corridor;

(c) whether modernizing infrastructure would forward railway's remarkable turnaround and would also help railways become the country's main transporter by reducing the unit cost of transportation; and

(d) by when the final decision is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) Yes, Sir. Capacity augmentation of the network and increased rolling stock production is planned to cater to the growth.

(b) The Dedicated Freight Corridor Project is proposed to be financed through a mix of internal generation, market borrowings, budgetary and non-budgetary resources including multilateral and bilateral funding such as by Japanese Government under Special Terms of Economic Partnership (STEP) Scheme.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Eleventh Five Year Plan is under finalization.

**Train from Delhi to cities of Rajasthan**

†2068. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two trains Udaipur-Delhi *via* Ajmer-Jaipur, 9615/9616 and 4743/4744 Chittor-Ajmer-Phulera-Delhi were running prior to gauge conversion besides it Jaipur-Ajmer-Chittor-Purna was running for Jaipur;

(b) whether it is also a fact that not a single train is available for Jaipur-Delhi *via* Chittor-Bhilwara-Ajmer since 5th Juiy, 2007;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.